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1. EMBOFF JUNE 25 DISCUSSED THE SUBJECT UNESCO CONFERENCE (REFTEL)  
WITH BOLIVIAN DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS MR FUENTES  
OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. FUENTES THOUGHT IT QUITE  
LIKELY THAT GOB WOULD ATTEND THE CONFERENCE. HE NOTED THAT  
BOLIVIA HAD A SPECIAL INTEREST IN THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
ISSUES.

2. ON THE POLITICAL QUESTIONS FUENTES NOTED THAT OFTEN INNOCUOUS  
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APPEARING RESOLUTIONS WERE PROMPTED BY OTHER AND SUSPECT MOTIVES.

HE ADDED THAT DESPITE OCCASIONAL DIFFICULTIES GOB HAD MAINTAINED CONSIDERABLE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS. HE DID NOT RPT NOT THINK HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD ENDORSE RESOLUTIONS ATTACKING MEDIA LIBERTY.

3. GOB, HE CONCLUDED, WAS NOT INGENUOUS AND WOULD MAINTAIN AN INDEPENDENT VIEW REGARDING POLITICALLY MOTIVATED RESOLUTIONS. HE AGREED WITH EMBOFF THAT ATTACKS ON FREE FLOW OF INFORMATION OFTEN DERIVED FROM SOVIETS AND EASTERN EUROPEANS. HE NOTED PARENTHETICALLY THAT AT THE SAME TIME COMMUNISTS WERE BEAMING AYMARA AND QUECHUA LANGUAGE PROGRAMS INTO BOLIVIA. GOB IS MORE CONCERNED OVER THESE PROGRAMS THAN THOSE FROM US.

4. COMMENT: INFORMATION PARA 8 REFTEL HAD NOT RPT ARRIVED. HOWEVER, TO MEET DEADLINE DISCUSSION WAS BASED ON REFTEL. GOB SEEMS AMENABLE TO DISCREET APPROACH FROM US OBSERVER DELEGATION REGARDING ANY ITEMS THAT USG OPPOSES, ESPECIALLY IF US SUPPORT FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IS REAFFIRMED. PARKER UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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